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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH CHINESE AMBASSADOR

REF: CONAKRY 0929, 0930

PRC AMBASSADOR CHI-CHIEN TSIEN RETURNED MY COURTESY CALL (REFTEL) JULY 11. I HAD SUGGESTED HE COME TO CHANCERY RATHER THAN MY HOME (AS IN PAST), AND HE DID. CONVERSATION WAS SIMILAR TO EARLIER MEETING AND SOMEWHAT REPETITIOUS. SUBJECTS INCLUDED:

1. TSIEN OBSERVED THAT THERE HAD BEEN EXCEPTIONALLY HEAVY OFFLOADINGS OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT AT CONAKRY PORT IN RECENT WEEKS.

2. HE SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN US AID PROGRAMS AND PUMPED ME IN DETAIL ON PROPOSED USAID AGRICULTURAL PROJECT AND ON PL480 TITLE I AND TITLE II SHIPMENTS. I RESPONDED FRANKLY.

3. I ASKED TSIEN'S REACTION TO FACT THAT BOTH SOVIET AMBASSADOR LEONIDE MOUSSATOV AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE CHIEF GENERAL SERGEI RIABOV HAD SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY
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RETURNED TO MOSCOW LAST WEEK. HE HAD NOT HEARD THIS AND

WAS MOST INTERESTED, SPECULATING UPON SOME DEVELOPMENT IN
GUINEA/USSR MILITARY RELATIONSHIP. HE AGAIN ASKED IF
THERE HAD BEEN ANY GUINEAN REACTION TO PRESIDENT FORD'S
MENTION APRIL 23 OF DEPLOYMENT SOVIET AIRCRAFT FROM GUINEA
AND I REPLIED IN NEGATIVE.
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